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## Timely Tidbits ... Buckley, McLachlan Elected; Proposal Nixed

On May 5, a predictably small turnout of 1,135 voters elected incumbent Cheryle A. Buckley and challenger Robert W. McLachlan to four-year terms on the Romulus Community Schools Board of Education. An unofficial count showed Buckley garnering 711 votes and McLachlan receiving 639.

Incumbent April Frayer finished third with 357 votes, followed by first-time challengers Keenan Brown (111) and Lureca Eldridge (80).

An operating millage proposal that would have allowed the District to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills against nonhomestead property was narrowly defeated by a margin of 535 to 528.

### UPDATED Sites List for Citywide Yard Sale

Approximately 200 households and organizations are taking part in the annual Romulus Citywide Yard Sale, which will continue through Sunday, May 17.

For a list of sale sites, organized by geographic area to make unfamiliar streets easier to find, please see page 8.

### Women's Golf Tourney at Taylor Meadows

Early registration is under way for the 2009 Women's Golf Tournament at Taylor Meadows Golf Club. The two-player scramble is set for Sunday, June 14.

Check-in and registration will begin at 7 a.m. Tee-offs will begin at 8 a.m.

The early entry fee, which must be paid by May 24 at the Taylor Meadows clubhouse (25360 Ecorse Road), is \$130 per team. The fee for late entries, which will be accepted through June 7 or until space is filled, is \$140 per team. The fee covers-18 holes of golf with a partner of your choice, use of a power cart, coffee and danish at registration, a snack lunch at the turn, and a complete awards dinner with dessert, cocktails, contests, and prizes.

For information, or to register online, visit www.TaylorGolf.com.

#### Airport Seeks Aircraft Enclosure To Reduce Nighttime Noise

The Wayne County Airport Authority has announced that it is seeking federal funding to help construct a ground run-up enclosure (GRE) on the airfield at Detroit Metropolitan Airport (DTW) to reduce aircraft-generated noise in the surrounding neighborhoods.

According to the WCAA, the GRE is the "centerpiece" of 20 recommendations it has submitted to the Federal Aviation Administration after consulting with a committee made up of representatives of communities in the vicinity of DTW.

The recommendations came at the conclusion of a four-year Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study Update voluntarily launched by the Airport.

"A ground run-up enclosure will have a noticeable impact for our neighbors because the airlines often conduct aircraft engine maintenance at night when ambient noise levels are low," said WCAA CEO Lester Robinson. "This enclosure will absorb and deflect a significant amount of noise resulting from airline run-ups."

A three-sided GRE is typically located strategically on the airfield to allow airlines convenient access for the purpose of testing after repairs are made to aircraft engines. These tests can range from a few minutes to as many as 45 minutes with the engine running at various levels up to full power.

The estimated cost of designing and constructing a GRE is approximately \$5 million, with a possible 80% contribution by the FAA. The Airport Authority anticipates issuing a solicitation for predesign services for the GRE this year, and construction is planned for 2010.

Other recommendations developed by the Study Advisory Committee, with the assistance of noise study consultant Barnard Dunkelberg & Company, include:

- modifying air traffic procedures to concentrate more flights over compatible land uses;
- implementation of continuous descent approach for arriving aircraft;
- working with communities to update zoning ordinances; and
- installation of a flight track/noise monitoring system.

The FAR Part 150 Update was approved by the WCAA Board on October 31, 2008, and is currently being reviewed by the Federal Aviation Administration.

"It has been a pleasure to work cooperatively with insightful people at the FAA and the mayors and supervisors of our neighboring communities to develop a practical set of recommendations," said Robinson.

A complete list of the recommendations, as well as the noise exposure maps developed by the study, can be viewed at <a href="https://www.metroairport.com">www.metroairport.com</a>.  $\square$ 

## \$550 Million Ford Project Calls for Wayne Plant Conversion, Retention of 3,200 Jobs

Senator Ray Basham (D-Taylor) has announced that Ford Motor Company will invest \$550 million to convert its Michigan Truck Plant along Michigan Avenue in Wayne into a facility that will focus on building small compact modern cars. The effort is expected to retain 3,200 jobs and generate a total of 17,150 jobs, while also increasing state government revenues by \$774 million by the year 2021.

"At a time when the auto industry is struggling the most, this new project brings new promise of hope to our state as well as much-needed investment and jobs," said Basham. "With new technologies and modern, efficient vehicles, we can begin the transformation of the auto industry and Michigan's economy."

Through the Michigan Economic Development Council, the Michigan Economic Growth Authority (MEGA) Board has approved various incentives for Ford's Michigan Assembly Plant project in the City of Wayne, including:

#### Retention Employment Tax Credit

Through this tax credit, \$123,773,031 will be available for up to 4,700 retained employees at the Michigan Assembly and Wayne Stamping facilities, provided that Ford agrees to retain a minimum of 1,800 jobs by the end of the first year of operations in order to activate the credit.

#### Anchor New Jobs Designation

According to Basham, the anchor new

jobs designation will provide tax incentives to Ford for attracting and influencing customers and suppliers with critical or unique components to locate in Michigan and connect with the Michigan Assembly facility projects. The incentives will be based on the number of qualified new jobs.

#### Large Brownfield MBT Tax Credit

Ford Motor Company has requested up to \$30,000,000 to help build and facilitate the project.

#### Brownfield Redevelopment Work Plan

The County of Wayne Brownfield Redevelopment Authority has submitted a work plan request for the approval of \$6,403,500 in local and school capture for MEGA-eligible activities. The MEGA Board also approved an amendment awarding an additional \$20 million in tax credits for qualified Plug-In Electric Vehicle Engineering expenses.

This new investment project, said Basham, will convert Wayne's Michigan Truck Plant – which previously manufactured large body-on-frame products – into a flexible manufacturing facility that can produce smaller vehicles off a global platform. The facility will receive significant investment in body, paint, and final assembly areas.

The new plant will also build the nextgeneration Ford Focus, including an electric version of the popular car that is expected to debut in 2011.

#### DADS and MOMS Honor Basham

State Senator Raymond Basham (D-Taylor) was recently selected by DADS and MOMS of Michigan as the 2008 Legislator of the Year for his advocacy and commitment to families, children, and marriage.

"It's an honor to be recognized by such an admirable organization that is so dedicated to the well-being of our children," said Basham. "To ensure that our state has a successful future, we need to be committed to facilitating strong family structures that help our children grow and develop with good family values."

Basham has worked with the DADS organization for several years on parenting issues in the Legislature. Noting that Michigan's family divorce rate is now above 50%, he said that available options should encourage both parents and our state to seek all available alternatives of recourse prior to separating children from either parent or their biological family.

DADS of Michigan and MOMS of Michigan are volunteer parent education groups. DADS is dedicated to legislation keeping both biological parents actively engaged in the lives of their children despite divorce and custody. These groups believe that the "best" parent is both parents.

#### Taylor's Armed Forces Day Ceremony Will Feature Museum's Grand Opening



Taylor City Councilman Butch Ramik and Paula Zasadny stand in front of a display in the new American Warriors Museum, which will feature an exhibit about Zasadny's daughter, the late Army Specialist Holly McGeogh, who was killed in Iraq. The museum, conceived by Ramik, will open during the City's annual veterans memorial ceremony, of which Zasadny is the key organizer. Photo by Dave Gorgon

Michigan's two U.S. senators and the nation's longest-serving congressman will be among the dignitaries present for the City of Taylor's annual Veterans Memorial Day ceremony, to be held at 11 a.m. on National Armed Forces Day (Saturday, May 16) at the Veterans Memorial Garden in Cameron G. Priebe Plaza, just east of City Hall (23555 Goddard Road). The day will also mark the grand opening of the Taylor American Warriors Museum in City Hall.

The city's "day to remember" veterans – both living and deceased – will feature speeches by dignitaries, patriotic music, and the presentation of colors and memorial wreaths. There will be participation by members and veterans of all branches of the military, war re-enactors, military vehicles, and much more.

The ceremony will also include a tribute to U.S. Representative John D. Dingell, the longest-serving member of the U.S. Congress. U.S. Senators Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow, as well as state, county, and local government leaders, are among the dignitaries scheduled to be in attendance.

Joining them at the speakers' podium will be Taylor Mayor Cameron G. Priebe; Army Brigadier General Michael Nevin, commander of the 177th Military Police Brigade; and Paula Zasadny, the mother of Army Specialist Holly McGeogh, the young Taylor woman who was killed during the war in Iraq. A Medal of Honor winner from Michigan is expected to be on hand, as well.

After the program, there will be a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the entrance to the armed forces museum, which was established as a tribute to local military heroes. The museum, located in a room in the City Hall atrium, has been a dream of Councilman Butch Ramik, who served as a U.S. Army drill sergeant and paratrooper, served in the Republic of Vietnam, and earned a Purple Heart and Bronze Star.

The museum will feature a variety of stories, photos, uniforms, equipment, artifacts, and memorabilia of armed forces veterans, past and present, from Taylor and beyond. Councilman Ramik, members of veterans organizations, and other volunteers have been collecting items for months. Special storage cabinets will display the artifacts.

"This museum is for the armed forces

– for the people who served this country,"
Ramik said. "It is a tribute to those who
allow democracy to exist."

"It will be something that makes people proud to be Americans."

Zasadny is the primary organizer of the veterans memorial ceremony. Both she and Ramik are hoping there is a great turnout from the public to honor military heroes during the remembrance and inside the museum.

Right after the ceremony, attendees will be invited to enjoy lunch outside City Hall and visit the new museum.

Fund-raisers, grants, and sponsorships will help fund the museum. To learn about sponsorship opportunities, contact Ramik at (734) 341-1817.

For more information on Taylor's Day to Remember, call the City's Public Information Department (734-374-1447).

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## Guest Commentary

## Mayor Lambert Applauds Romulus DPW During National Public Works Week

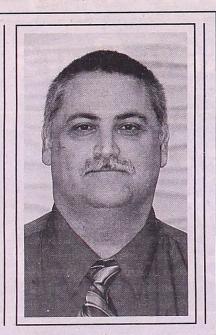
By Mayor Alan R. Lambert, City of Romulus

This coming week provides an opportunity for the Romulus community to take a moment to appreciate the work done by the many employees who keep water flowing, make sure rubbish is picked up, and keep our streets clean.

National Public Works Week is an annual event sponsored by the American Public Works Association to commemorate all Public Works employees for their service. The theme of this year's event, be held May 17–23, is "Revitalize, Reinvest, Renew."

Good government leaders agree that revitalizing our infrastructure means finding new ways to sustain performance, using new materials, and increasing efficiency. Reinvesting in our infrastructure ensures safety, longevity, and a positive quality of life. Renewing our infrastructure means replacing and reinvigorating the systems and structures on which we depend.

Because our new President is on board with the need for public works improvements, the City of Romulus will directly



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In recognition of all the good work that the Department of Public Works does for the citizens of Romulus, Mayor Alan R. Lambert (ninth from left) and Chief of Staff Betsey Krampitz (second from right) thanked DPW employees (from left) Byron Ashley, Willie Hester, Robert Radney, Raymond Wheeler, Columbus Patterson, Mackreth Stillwagon, George Simko, Wiley Montgomery, Gerald "Buck" Carney, Bonnieta Simko, DPW director Thomas Wilson, Michael Plank, David McCown, Ramzi Swidan, Nicole Harvey, Roger Staten, Kassim McNeil, Robert Cross, Robert Roscoe, Roger Staten, David Druyor, Lori Covert, DPW assistant director Derrick Schueller, Justin Laskaska, Peggy Slater, Rachel Laskaska, and Karl Hunt. Photo by R. E. Kadau

benefit from stimulus dollars enabling us to further improve our roads and infrastructure. Our Department of Public Works employees are partners in our progress.

The Romulus DPW manages, maintains, repairs, or installs all public infrastructure within the City's corporate limits. The DPW oversees rubbish pickup, recycling, and compost pickup. Some of the department's other duties include:

The Water/Sewer Division manages the reading and maintaining of the City's water meter system. It installs new meters and maintains fire hydrants. The division also takes care of all water main breaks and plugged public sanitary sewers. The Permits & Inspections Department reviews underground construction for all new projects. The employees perform on-site inspections of infrastructure installations involving several levels of approvals prior to acceptance.

The Roads Division provides ice and snow removal services and the salting of City-owned streets. It performs surface repairs as well as some limited paving projects. It also grades unpaved roadways, clears plugged roadside ditches, conducts roadside cutting of vegetation for traffic-con-

trol purposes, and provides traffic services such as street signs. It further performs the maintenance and repairs to catch basins/ storm drains.

The Building and Grounds Division maintains all public buildings and City parks. It also serves as our Forestry Department, managing the tree chipping service and City easement tree cutting of "dead" or "diseased" trees. The City-owned cemetery is maintained by our Building & Grounds Division, as well.

The Fleet Management Division is responsible for all maintenance and repairs to City vehicles and equipment, including all Fire and Police vehicles. Such awesome responsibility often dictates that our DPW employees spend late-night and early-morning hours repairing mains, responding to emergencies, and ensuring that public needs are met. Our road crews are second to none, and once again performed an outstanding job of snow removal services over the winter.

I want to thank all our public works employees for their service to our community. Please join with me this week and take the opportunity to thank your DPW employees for all that they do every day!

Reminder to residents: Please remember to keep your vehicle off the street on your designated rubbish pickup day, so our DPW street sweepers can keep our streets clean!



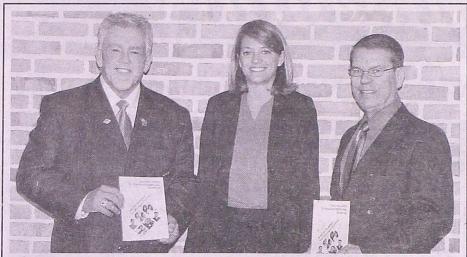
I would like to thank all my supporters for their vote of confidence in my re-election to the school board. I will continue to work hard for our students to ensure their academic success and safety.

Thank you to all my family and friends who always support me in whatever I do. A very special thank you to Keith Johnston at Johnston Lithograph, Inc.

Cheryle Buckley, Vice President Romulus Board of Education

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#### Alcohol Awareness Program Promotes Safety During Prom Season, Graduation



(From left) Romulus Mayor Alan R. Lambert, Central Distributors Public Awareness director Aubree Ellis, and Romulus High School principal Don Foley have teamed up to promote awareness of the hazards of underage drinking. Photo by R. E. Kadau

As part of Alcohol Awareness Month, and just in time for the prom/graduation season and the coming summer, Romulus Mayor Alan R. Lambert is joining forces with Romulus educators and businesses to fight underage drinking by distributing a free guidebook that can help parents keep alcohol away from minors. The book, "Parents Unite to Prevent Underage Drinking," empowers parents in the fight to prevent illegal teen drinking. It also aims to raise awareness in the community about underage drinking, and urge more people to join this important effort.

Lambert is working in partnership with Romulus High School and Romulus-based Central Distributors, a family-owned Anheuser-Busch distributor, to spread his message.

"We must do everything to keep alcohol out of the hands of children, and that means reaching out to more parents so we can get the word out that alcohol and teens don't mix," said Lambert. "This time of the year is when all of us – parents, educators, and community members – must get ahead of the curve in talking to teens about the dangers of illegal alcohol use.

"These guides can help parents confront this problem head on," he added, "and we invite everyone to help us share them with Michigan parents."

According to Lambert, the "Parents Unite" guidebooks are free to all parents, and provide updated information and a comprehensive resources section that helps parents get more information about how they can keep alcohol out of the hands of minors. The guide is produced by Central Distributors and other family-owned distributors and the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals. The guides have been produced since 2002. More than 470,000 copies have been distributed to parents since 2002, making it the most widely distributed book about underage drinking in schools throughout Michigan.

The guides are available through Lambert's office, Central Distributors, and Romulus High School, and will be displayed at the High School and the Romulus Athletic Center, among local locations.

"Underage drinking is everybody's problem; we must start talking about it early and often," said Central Distributors owner and CEO Don Klopcic. "We invite all parents to get this free booklet so they have the tools to help them protect their children.

"These guides help parents be proactive," Klopcic continued. "It puts power in their hands and gives them the tools they need to protect kids from illegal, irresponsible drinking.

"As a family owned business, we want to do everything to help strengthen our community. The 'Parents Unite' booklets are a key piece of our commitment to our community."

The fight against underage drinking has made steady progress over the years, said Klopcic. The percentage of high school seniors who illegally consumed alcohol dropped 36 percentage points between 1982 and 2007, according to a University of Michigan study. (See the University of Michigan Monitoring the Future study, sponsored by the National Institute on Drug Abuse, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, December 2007.) But, more work needs to be done to keep alcohol out of the hands of minors.

"As a parent, I am committed to working with local businesses, schools, parents, and everyone to fight underage drinking and ensure that only responsible adults enjoy beer and wine legally," Lambert said. "We're going to put these guidebooks into the hands of parents, which will empower them in the fight against underage drinking. This booklet is one of the many ways we as a community can help parents fight underage drinking during prom season and beyond."

To get a copy of "Parents Unite to Prevent Underage Drinking," contact:

- Lambert's office (734-942-7545),
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1st Grade

2nd Grade 6 Vacancies 3rd Grade 1 Vacancy

4th Grade

10 Vacancies 5th Grade 1 Vacancy

Renton Junior High

6th Grade 7th Grade

8 Vacancies 3 Vacancies

8th Grade

1 Vacancy

#### Huron High School

9th Grade .

15 Vacancies 10 Vacancies

10th Grade 11th Grade

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15 Vacancies



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#### Taylor Employees Bring Kids to Work



Mayor Cameron G. Priebe (back) and Council Chairwoman Jacklyn Molner (left) greeted children (ages 4 to 17) of City of Taylor employees for "Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work" Day, held April 23. The children participated in group activities in the morning, giving their parents a chance to return to work. Activities included tours of the Taylor Community Library and the Animal Petting Farm. Photo by Kathleen Trent

#### Communities Join in National Prayer



Taylor (above) and Romulus (below) joined communities around the country for a National Day of Prayer on May 7. Clergymen, City officials, and residents offered prayers on issues such as peace, reconciliation of the races, and guidance for government leaders, schools, children, and families. Photos by Dave Gorgon and R. E. Kadau, respectively



### A Good Time for All (Ages)



(From right) Mayor Alan R. Lambert enjoyed visiting with local senior citizens like Peggy Bogoslowski during the Romulus Senior Center's annual Mother's Day luncheon, held on May 8. Councilwoman Ellen Craig-Bragg played the keyboard and sang for those in attendance. Photo by R. E. Kadau



Members of the Taylor-based alternative rock band called "I Have Seen Fire" posed after winning the annual Taylor Battle of the Bands competition held on April 24. Members Logan Marshall, Kevin Rapley, Curtis Gaydos, Kyle Rapley, and David Zybach won a cash prize. *Photo by Dave Gorgon* 



The Cory Elementary School community in Romulus recently participated in a Family Literacy Night that was tied to the theme of summertime. Along with dinner, the event featured "story stations," which included book readings and activities, as well as a session of book bingo in which students won books as prizes. Pictured enjoying book bingo are: (from left) Geoffrey Hamby, Glenn Hamby, Dawn Pluff (fourth-grade teacher at Cory), and Jadel Hamby.

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(mobile home community)

6000 Washington (1, 2, 3, 4)

5852 Wayne (1, 2, 3, 4)

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Ecorse to I-94/Hannan to Way
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#### Belleville

#### "Thunder Rolls" Honors Veterans

Brown Funeral Home and Brown Family Center will sponsor "Thunder Rolls in Belleville" - a Memorial Day celebration that will pay tribute to veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice by giving their lives to protect our nation - on Monday, May 25. The program will begin with a policeescorted motorcycle cavalcade that will run from Wayne County Community College's Western Campus (Haggerty Road just north of I-94) to the Veterans Memorial in Horizon Park (High Street just east of Main Street). Registration and lineup will start at 11 a.m. in the college's front parking lot. All riders are welcome. Proceeds from the \$10-per-person registration fee will be used to help local veterans and their families through the Veterans of Foreign Wars.



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For information, call 734-697-5090 or e-mail browngriefcenter@yahoo.com.

#### "Power of Praise" Concert

The public is invited to attend "The Power of Praise" concert, free of charge, at the Wayne County Community College District's Western Campus (9555 Haggerty Road) on Saturday, May 16, from 1 to 3

For information, call 734-968-0105.

#### Huron Township

#### "Relay for Life" Fund-raiser

Willow United Methodist Church (36925 Willow Road) is hosting a spaghetti dinner and silent auction from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, May 15. Cost for dinner is \$6.

For information, call 734-654-9020.

#### Romulus

#### **CUMC To Hold Rummage Sale**

Community United Methodist Church (11160 Olive Street) will hold its annual rummage sale on Friday, May 15, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday, May 16, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. A variety of household items and clothing will be available.

For information, call 734-941-0736.

#### Free Dumping

Romulus residents (ID required) may dump nonhazardous household waste at the Department of Public Works (12600 Wayne Road, between Northline and Goddard) through May 16 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

For complete dumping rules, pick up a flyer at the DPW or call 734-942-7579.

#### Mayor Lambert Throws First Pitch



After throwing out the first pitch of the Little League season to Romulus Red Sox catcher DeShawn Cole on May 2, Mayor Alan R. Lambert autographed the ceremonial ball for him. Photo by R. E. Kadau

#### Clean Sweep Day

The City's annual Clean Sweep Day will be held Saturday, May 16.

Individuals and members of local businesses and civic organizations can report at the Romulus Senior Center (36525 Bibbins) starting at 8:30 a.m. to enjoy refreshments while picking up basic equipment and supplies as well as (if desired) cleaning assignments. Cleanup will begin at 9 a.m.

For more information on how to volunteer to help clean up your hometown, call 734-955-4502.

#### Cox To Speak at Chamber Luncheon

The Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce's next business luncheon will be held at the Crowne Plaza (8000 Merriman Road) on Tuesday, May 19, at 12 p.m.

Guest Speaker for the event will be State Attorney General Mike Cox, who will also administer the "Oath of Office" to the Chamber's newly elected officers/directors.

Tickets are \$15 for Chamber members, \$18 for nonmembers. Register by Friday, May 15. Seating is limited, so early registration is recommended.

For information, call 734-893-0694 or e-mail info@romuluschamber.com.

#### Taylor

#### Pet Adoption Day and Vaccination Clinic

The City of Taylor Animal Shelter (25555 Northline Road) will host its annual Pet Adoption Day and Vaccination Clinic from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 16.

Dogs and cats will be available for adoption. The Taylor Veterinary Clinic will offer discount vaccinations and microchipping for dogs and cats. Downriver Dogs Obedience Training will be on hand to answer any behavior questions, and offer basic and advanced obedience classes.

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For information, call 734-374-1354. Fund-raiser Benefits Taylor Relay for Life

CLASH Wrestling will hold a fundraiser for the Taylor "Relay for Life" at the Game On Sports Center (Pardee Road, just south of Superior Parkway). "A Fight Against Cancer II" is scheduled for Saturday, May 16, from noon to 10 p.m.

From noon to 6 p.m., there will be carnival games, a moon bounce, food, and entertainment, followed by a professional wrestling show at 7:30 p.m.

Admission is \$10. All proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society.

Visit http://clashwrestling.com for information.

#### Pool Passes Now on Sale

Pool passes for the 2009 swim season are now available at the City of Taylor's Golf, Parks and Recreation Office (22805 Goddard Road). Season passes are good for both the Sheridan Community Center pool and the Northwest Park pool.

Family passes are \$65 for Taylor residents, \$85 for nonresidents. A family pass includes two adults and two children under 18. It's \$20 per each additional child. Individual passes for swimmers 18 and older are \$40 for residents and \$50 for non-residents. Guppy passes for swimmers ages 12 to 17 are \$35 for residents and \$45 for non-

Registration is also under way for summer water aerobics. Sessions will run each Monday and Wednesday from 6 to 7 p.m. and 7 to 8 p.m. from June 15 through August 5. Admission is \$48 for the eightweek session or \$7 per drop-in class.

For information, call 734-374-3906. **Dinners Aid Junior World Series** 

Weekly all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinners will raise money for the Junior League World Series of baseball. The Perfect Pitcher Sports Club (12900 Beech Daly, just north of Northline Road) is holding the \$5 dinners on Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

For information, call 734-947-9707.

#### Rec Taking Applications

The City of Romulus Department of Parks and Recreation is now accepting applications for the position of CDA Licensed Employee for its preschool summer recreation program. The program is licensed by the State of Michigan as a day camp.

For information, call the Recreation Department: 734-941-8665.

#### New Logos Promote Use of Booster Seats





The Taylor Police Department has unveiled two new logos with catchy slogans designed to promote the use of child safety seats.

The City of Taylor Police Department has unveiled two new logos to help tell the story of officers' focus on enforcing state booster seat requirements.

Corporal Ted Michowski noted that the TPD Traffic Division's enforcement of the new Booster Seat Law and Child Restraint Seat Law is being done in conjunction with a Federal cooperative agreement for Determining Effective Strategies for Enforcing State Booster Seat Laws.

The TPD was one of only two departments in the United States selected to assist in this cooperative agreement with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). Taylor (population 65,000) and the City of Wenatchee, Washington (population 28,000) received Federal funds to develop and evaluate various strategies for enforcing the requirements, and recommend effective strategies that can be implemented in other communities nationwide.

The Taylor Police Department Traffic Division is overseeing the \$283,000 project, which will be composed of several components, including:

 public information and education regarding the State of Michigan's new Child Restraint ("booster seat") Law, which was enacted on July 1, 2008; and

 enforcement of the new requirements from March 2009 through February 2010 in various targeted locations throughout the city, and the recording of all relevant data necessary for the successful completion of the cooperative agreement.

Police are urging Taylor residents to make sure all of their family members and friends are keeping children safe while traveling this summer. The law states that if a child is less than 4 feet, 9 inches tall or less than 8 years old, he or she must be in a booster seat. If a child is under the age of 4, he or she must be in a properly secured child restraint car seat.

Officers are available to make sure car seats are properly installed, and educational material about booster seats is available from the police department. For more information, call Michowski at 734-374-1672 or send e-mail to <a href="mailto:tmichowski@ci.taylor.mi.us">tmichowski@ci.taylor.mi.us</a>.

## Airport Online Auction Site Takes Flight A wide variety of surplus property and larger office equipment, fine and costume

A wide variety of surplus property and unclaimed lost and found items from Metro Detroit's major airports are now for sale – via the Internet. The Wayne County Airport Authority (WCAA), operator of the Detroit Metropolitan and Willow Run airports, has launched its new online auction site hosted by the Michigan Intergovernmental Trade Network (MITN).

"While the Airport Authority has held live auctions of surplus and unclaimed property for years, the pool of prospective bidders has been naturally limited by geography and busy schedules," explained WCAA CEO Lester Robinson. "With our new online auction site, the Airport Authority has an opportunity to make our auctions more accessible by enabling anyone, anywhere, to participate in each auction from the comfort of their home or office."

Initially, according to Robinson, the Authority's online auction will include smaller items such as digital cameras, portable DVD players, and construction tools. A selection of passenger, utility, and specialized emergency vehicles will be available in mid-May.

Soon, WCAA plans to expand its offerings to include computer peripherals, larger office equipment, fine and costume jewelry, watches, construction equipment, and specialty airport equipment.

"Our first test-use of the system in April demonstrated to us that this new online auction format has tremendous potential," said WCAA Procurement Project Manager Donna Colley-Andrews. "Items sold online during testing were needed by the bidders and obtained significantly below retail pricing. It's a win-win-win for all involved – bidders get needed items at a reduced cost, the Airport Authority generates revenue, and those items remain in use rather than in a landfill."

No bidders deposit is required, but free registration is. Interested bidders can register and place their bids on the MITN Web site at <a href="https://www.mitn.info">www.mitn.info</a> (select "Surplus Auctions" from the top navigation bar).

The new online format also automates the process of award notification, receipts, and pick-up tickets, and expedites the process of delivering items to the winning bidders.

For more information about the Airport Authority's new online auction site, including questions about listed items, send e-mail <a href="mailto:onlinebidding-admin@wcaa.us">onlinebidding-admin@wcaa.us</a>.



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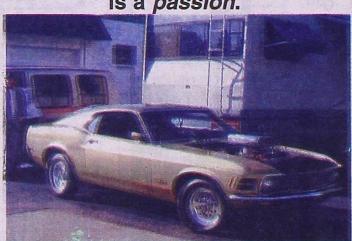
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